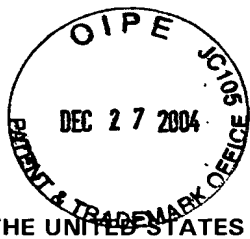


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Group Art Unit: 2633

Title: Methods of Optical Communication and Optical Communication Systems

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Respectfully submitted,
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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 20, 2004, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the "Listing of Claims" which begins on
page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.